

THE WEATHER Washington, Nov. 11.—Colder and generally fair tonight and Wednesday. TEMPERATURE AT EACH HOUR

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THE LEADERS CALL OFF STRIKE, OBEYING COURT

Four Killed, Many Hurt, When Tug Hits Ferryboat Off South Street; Passengers in Panic

DECKHAND HERO OF COLLISION ON DELAWARE RIVER

People Piled in Heaps by Force of Impact—Some Leap Into Stream

MISTAKE IN SIGNALS SAID TO BE CAUSE OF TRAGEDY

Craft Go to Rescue—Bodies of Victims Recovered—Mate Held on Homicide Charge

Dead and Injured in Crash on River

THE DEAD Thomas Spencer, fifty-two years old, Blenheim, near Blackwood, N. J.

THE INJURED Adolph Shadapure, thirty-five years old, Hammonton, N. J.

Four men were killed when the steel tug Caspian crashed into the Reading Railway ferryboat Atlantic City, off South street wharf, at 6:24 o'clock this morning.

Four other men were seriously injured, and minor injuries were inflicted upon many others.

No one knows just how the accident occurred. It is the belief of several persons on the boats, however, that a mistake in signals was the cause.

Charged with homicide, Joseph P. Cannon, who commanded the tug at the time of the accident, has been held without bail by Magistrate Penneck, at City Hall, to await the action of the coroner.

Cannon was arrested by the crew of the police boat King, which lies at Washington avenue wharf.

The Atlantic City, oldest boat in the Reading's Atlantic City ferry service, was plowing along on her way from the ferry slip at Knight Point, Camden, to the Reading slips at South street, this city.

Deck and cabins were jammed with passengers, most of them working people, on their way to this city from their New Jersey homes.

It was a hazy morning, but the fog was not heavy. Most of the people on the ferryboat were crowded on the front, looking out over the river. Others, in search of warmth, occupied the seats in the cabins.

See Tug Approaching As the Atlantic City was about 500 yards from the South street slip, the passengers on the front end saw the big steel tug Caspian coming straight for them on her way down the river.

Whistles shrieked as the ferry gave a cumbersome lurch to the left, the tug swung sharply to the right and men on the ferry turned and ran toward the stern of the boat.

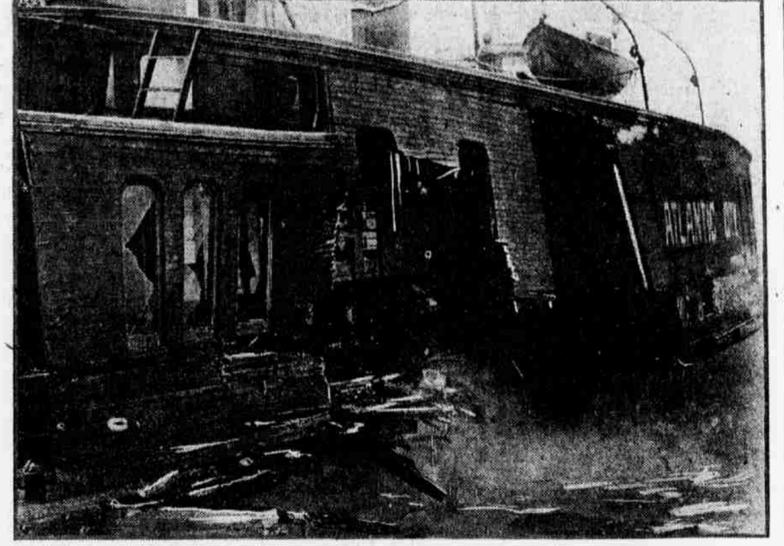
Passengers' shriek arose, and was repeated. With a crash the tug cut into the starboard or right hand side of the ferryboat, just forward of the wheel box.

For a moment there was no sound, then shouts and cries arose. Men leaped overboard from the ferry into the cold water. Others were crushed and jammed in the narrow alleys between the paddle wheel boxes and the interior bulkheads of the ferryboat.

Still others ran, stumbled, fell; others tumbled over them and piled up in a sprawling heap, while still other passengers pulled out life preservers and tried to distribute them.

Vessel Comes to Rescue Gongs clang, the tug withdrew her bow, and then, upon the port side of the ferry, the Ericson liner Anthony Groves loomed up.

FOUR MEN KILLED IN THIS RIVER ACCIDENT



WRECKED SIDE OF THE READING FERRYBOAT ATLANTIC CITY The steel tug Caspian rammed this Delaware river ferryboat off South street wharf today, killing four passengers and injuring several others. The men's cabin was splintered as shown above

EX-SOLDIER HELD AS GUNMAN HERE

Captured by Policeman Who Sent Him to Army Prison, From Where He Escaped

ANOTHER ALSO ARRESTED

Two alleged gunmen were captured at Juniper and Vine streets at 12:30 o'clock this morning.

The police believe the captives to be responsible for many of the recent hold-ups in this city, together with some of the robberies committed at fur and jewelry stores.

A patrolman of the Eleventh and Winter streets station, a former sergeant in the army, said he identified one man as an army deserter who, posing as a French merchant, had swindled French merchants out of large sums through the fake sale of army supplies.

One May Be Fugitive From France The captured men said they were Irving and another known as Harry Thomas, and Joe Gans.

Clark and Winnie drew revolvers and rushed toward the prisoners. Taken by surprise they had no time for flight and submitted to arrest. It was then, Clark said, that he recognized one of the men as a deserter he arrested in Paris a year ago tomorrow while the alleged deserter was posing as a major in the army.

Drove Pair to Station The patrolmen ordered the men into the machine. Clark sat in the rear with Bender. The bluecoat kept his revolver pressed to the captive's side during the short run to the Eleventh and Winter streets station.

Try to Dispose of Guns Winnie asserted that while at the prison he had bought a .380 if in would "take the guts out of the car."

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OHIO WETS WIN BY 641

Federal Prohibition Amendment Defeated Last Tuesday

Columbus, O., Nov. 11.—(By A. P.)—Ohio last Tuesday voted against ratifying the federal prohibition amendment by a majority of 641, according to complete official returns received today by the secretary of state.

Plot to Depose Sultan

Hein, Nov. 11.—(By A. P.)—A plot to depose the sultan of Turkey has been discovered, says a Constantinople dispatch dated Monday, received here today.

LOAN BILL SIGNED BY MAYOR; EMPLOYEES OF CITY GET BONUSES

Measure Provides \$250,000 for Phila.-Camden Bridge Project. \$685,000 for Police

A 10 per cent bonus for all city employees receiving \$2000 a year was authorized this afternoon and \$250,000 for the Philadelphia-Camden bridge became available when Mayor Smith signed the \$2,000,000 temporary loan bill passed by Councils last week.

The largest single item in the loan is that for \$685,000 for police pay. Although police salaries are current expenses the recent State Supreme Court decision upholding the "pay-as-you-go" principle in city finance does not affect a temporary loan. Under the law the loan must be paid back in four months.

The bonus item provides Christmas gifts for several hundred city employees. Those receiving less than \$2000 already have been provided for and those receiving more were believed to have at least a fighting chance with the high cost of living.

The mayor also signed a bill appropriating \$1500 for incidental expenses of the Philadelphia war history committee.

RAIN MAY END TONIGHT

Cooler Weather to Follow, With Snow Unlikely, Says Forecaster

The rain, which started about 10 o'clock this morning, is due to remain with us at least until tonight, the weather man says. It will be followed by fair and probably colder weather.

There was some fear that a blizzard was bound this way, but there is no ground for this, the weather man asserts. The nearest snow today is in Wisconsin and Wyoming, and it is not aimed in this direction. It probably will fade off in the neighborhood of the Great Lakes.

Prince, in Pajamas, Peeks at City From Car Window

British Consul General, All Polished Up, Seeks to Greet Him—"What the —?" Demanded Bill Nye

If Edward, Prince of Wales, wears a gold wrist watch and light-colored pajamas when he lands today, he saw Philadelphia today.

Proceeding through the train, he reached the coach in which the prince was being taken to Washington and handed his card to an attendant. Then he left the train and the station without saying a word. It was raining.

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RORKE ARRAIGNED IN MURDER CASE

Attorney Who Represented Convicted Man Is Charged With Subornation of Perjury

SHARP TILTS AT HEARING

William P. Rorke, the lawyer who represented Antoni Zangli, convicted last week of the murder of Polhemus Swercyuski at Ninth and Christian streets last April, was arraigned this morning before Magistrate Penneck, charged with subornation of perjury, the charges growing out of the Zangli trial.

With him was arrested Joseph Richie, Third ward politician, who was arrested Saturday. Other warrants are out for Felix Cardula and Frank Piccolo on the same charge. These men are said by the police to be fugitives.

The first witness called by Assistant District Attorney James Gay Gordon, Michael Canova and Frank Scovano, is under \$2500 bail accused of swearing falsely to save Zangli.

Genovese testified that he was threatened by Richie, Cardula and Piccolo and that he was first asked to go to Rorke's office a week ago yesterday by a stranger, who threatened him if he refused to go.

Says He Was Told to Lie Rorke, he declared, read the testimony he gave before the coroner. Then he told him not to tell this story, but another, he says, which involved a negro in the murder, and which would have helped Zangli obtain an alibi by showing that he and his wife were at a ball when the murder was committed.

Rorke, according to the testimony, told Genovese that there would be trouble for him. He said that he was told by a stranger that he would be killed if he did not go to Rorke's office, and that Piccolo threatened to tear his eyes out if he did not help Zangli. He said Piccolo threatened him in the courtroom.

Richie also threatened to tear his eyes out, Genovese testified, unless he did not tell the story as they desired.

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MAN AND WOMAN, IN A SUICIDE PACT, FOUND ILL IN HOTEL

Couple Leave Note Telling of Having Swallowed Poison Tablets

'WHAT'S THE USE OF LIVING,' SAYS VICTIM IN HOSPITAL

Both Philadelphians; Registered as Husband and Wife, Saying They Came From N. Y.

A man and a woman, the letter unconscious and both believed to have taken poison tablets, were found this morning in their room in a hotel near Twenty-second and Chestnut streets. A suicide pact, it was assumed, had been made.

The couple registered last night as Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Patterson, New York. They were assigned a room on the fourth floor.

After they had been taken to the University Hospital, a note is said to have been found on a bureau in their hotel room.

The note declared the couple were Anthony J. Peters, 3418 North Twentieth street, and Mrs. O. R. Trieste, 5105 Warrington avenue.

Relatives of Peters, who is married and has two children, admitted the identity of the man in the hospital. Mrs. Trieste, who was separated from her husband, also has two children.

The woman's mother-in-law while admitting that the woman found in the hotel was Mrs. Trieste, refused all further information other than to say she had not been living at the Warrington avenue address for some time. Peters later was seen at the hospital by Detective Nolan of the Fifteenth and Locust streets station.

'Oh, What's Use of Living?' He refused to tell the detective why he and his companion took the tablets, and what they had in mind when they made a week's deliberation, he said. "Mrs. Trieste took one tablet. I took two," Peters maintained a stubborn silence in the face of further questioning by Nolan. Asked if he wanted to live, he replied:

'Oh, what's the use of living?' "The couple were discovered at 9:30 o'clock this morning, by Albert Chakis, a bellboy, in the hotel. They had breakfasted earlier. Chakis was passing their room when he heard groans. The bellboy tried to enter, found it unlocked and rushed in. He said the couple were in such others arms. Peters told the bellboy both had taken poison. It is said, and the hotel employe hurried downstairs and summoned Dr. Leo H. Bernard, 2906 Chestnut street.

Removed to Hospital The physician ordered the removal of both to the University Hospital. Mrs. Trieste being taken to the University Hospital ambulance, Peters in the patrol of the 39th st and Lancaster avenue station.

Police efforts to uncover the motive for the alleged attempt at suicide failed. Mrs. Anna Trieste, the mother-in-law of the young woman could give no information.

Neighbors near the Warrington avenue address said the young woman's full name was Mrs. Orietta Trieste, that her husband was a chauffeur and that she had two children, a daughter eight years old, and a son, five years old.

There was no one at the Twentieth street address given by Peters this afternoon. Both Peters and Mrs. Trieste are said to have been employed as clerks by the Pennsylvania Railroad. Mrs. Trieste formerly lived in New York and was said to have returned yesterday to this city after a brief stay in that city.

SOLDIERS START RIOT

Troops, Enraged by Frequent Assaults, Attack Crowd in Cork

Cork, Nov. 11.—(By A. P.)—Constant collisions between the military and civilians last night when soldiers, enraged in consequence of frequent attacks upon them, broke through the police lines and came into conflict with the crowd.

Strikes and stones were freely used and belts were removed and forcefully swung. There also were a few revolver shots. A captain and a private of the troops were badly wounded.

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GOVERNMENT TO CALL NEW COAL CONFERENCE

Secretary Wilson Will Summon Operators and Miners—President May Appeal to Both Sides to Settle Wage Controversy

By the Associated Press

Washington, Nov. 11.—President Wilson probably will telegraph both the coal operators and officials of the United Mine Workers, asking them to get together and settle their differences, it was said today at the White House.

At the same time the President probably will renew his offer of the services of the government toward mediation. "I shall immediately call the miners and operators together to negotiate a wage agreement," Secretary of Labor Wilson said today after a meeting of President Wilson's cabinet.

Palmer Hopes for Settlement Attorney General Palmer on leaving the cabinet meeting said: "My information is that the miners have submitted to the court the form of an order annulling and withdrawing the strike order. The strike order, having been withdrawn, therefore, the secretary of labor will today invite the operators and miners to meet immediately in conference to negotiate an adjustment of their controversy."

"I have been assuming at all times that the miners' organization would obey the law when it was called to their attention in the way it has been, and I am glad they justified this assumption. "The way is now open to a settlement by the peaceful processes which should always be employed in settlement of such disputes without injury to the general public."

Cabinet members plainly were elated by the news from Indianapolis. "That's fine—they took the proper course," said Secretary Glass, who told that the mine union officials had announced that the strike order would be rescinded.

Secretary Wilson declared that it was the function of the Department of Labor to offer to mediate in all strikes. Mr. Wilson vainly sought to bring about an agreement between the miners and operators, before the men were called out on November 1.

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TUNNEL IN ITALY COLLAPSES

NAPLES, Nov. 11.—The central portion of the tunnel between Naples and the village of Fuorigrotta, in the suburbs to the southwest, collapsed today. No casualties resulted.

INDIAN PRINCES TO BE CONSULTING BODY

SIMLA, India, Nov. 11.—The Indian government has announced its intention of creating a permanent chamber of Indian princes as a consulting body. The announcement was made by Lord Chelmsford, the viceroy, in inaugurating a conference of the ruling Indian princes and chieftains.

5 AND 1 ZONE FARE IN N. J. ACCEPTED

New Jersey trolley zone fares will be reduced Sunday if the State Utilities Commission approves the acceptance of a plan, filed by the Public Service Railway Co. today.

The company's acceptance covered a proposal made by the Utilities Commission, and rejected ten days ago by the company. It provides for an initial fare of five cents for the first two miles of travel, with one cent a mile thereafter, and the restoration of the one-cent transfer.

The new rates compare favorably with the existing rates on the steam roads, which have become important competitors of the electric road since the zone fare system was first put into operation September 14.

When the refusal to accept the plan was announced, there was a material decrease in the number of passengers carried on the cars of the company, particularly in South Jersey, where the subway car, long organized what was known as the "Roadrunners" to boycott the lines.

In recent weeks in the Camden district there has been such an increase in the number of motorbuses put into operation that it has been possible for the traveling public to get transportation every few minutes in almost any district. Many other buses are in building which, it is believed, would have effectively cut off virtually all the revenue the company has been receiving in recent weeks, and it is hoped the public will respond.

MOB BURNS NEGRO TO DEATH

Victim Taken From Officers and Lynched in Arkansas Town

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CHIEFS OF COAL UNION DECLARE WALKOUT ENDED

Comply With Judicial Order Under Protest After Bitter Struggle

JUDGE APPROVES RECALL NOTE SUBMITTED TODAY

"We Are Americans and Won't Fight Government," Lewis Announces

RADICALS ARE BEATEN

Attorneys for Workmen Ask for Conference of Operators and Miners

By GEORGE NOX McCAIN Staff Correspondent of the Evening Public Ledger

Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 11.—"We have decided to accept the decision of the court. We do so under protest. However, we are Americans and we cannot fight our government."

In these brief sentences John L. Lewis, acting president of the United Mine Workers of America, at 4 o'clock this morning, declared the great soft-coal strike officially at an end.

The conference of the mine workers' leaders had been in almost continuous session since yesterday morning at 10 o'clock and it was a very tired and sleepy body of men that struggled out of the hotel into the chill air of the early day.

Loud and Angry Voices The decision to call off the strike was arrived at only after a bitter struggle. During the night loud and at times angry voices turned to concert pitch came through the closely locked doors of the assembly room in the Lincoln Hotel. It was the extremists who fought to the end in favor of ignoring the mandate of the court who argued longest and loudest.

Toward the end and after the vote had been taken by districts, a delegate who left before adjournment exclaimed as he passed the group of correspondents in the corridor: "It'll be over in ten minutes. The I. W. W.'s have got the floor now, but the matter's settled."

The action of the conference was reported at 10 o'clock this morning (11 a. m. Philadelphia time) to Federal Judge A. B. Anderson, who directed the recall of the strike order. He gave his approval to the rescinding order, which, he said, was a "good faith effort" to comply with his decree. The miners' lawyers agreed to have the recall mailed by 6 p. m.

Text of Rescinding Order The text of the rescinding order as approved follows: "Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 11, 1919. "To the officials and members of the United Mine Workers of America:

"Dear Sirs and Brothers—In obedience to the mandate issued on November 8 by the United States Court, District of Indiana, Judge A. B. Anderson presiding, the undersigned hereby advise you that the order of October 15 directing a cessation of operations in the bituminous coal fields of our jurisdiction, is withdrawn and canceled. Yours fraternally,

"WILLIAM GREEN, Secretary-Treasurer. "JOHN L. LEWIS, President."

Henry Warrum, of Indianapolis, the miners' attorney, presented the rescinding order. Following the court session Mr. Warrum, G. L. Grant, Fort Smith, Ark., and F. C. Huebner, Albia, Ia., associated attorneys, issued the following statement:

"The operators have repeatedly declared that they were ready to enter into negotiations with the miners if the strike order were withdrawn. The government has taken the position that in the vindication of its own supremacy the strike order must be withdrawn before they would take any steps to compel the resumption of such negotiations.

"The issue has been submitted to the public square at Magnolia.

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